Safety for Elderly Persons

2180. SHRIMATI JAYAPRADA NAHATA:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of older persons killed in the Capital during the current year which is being observed as the International Year of Older Persons;

(b) what steps Government have taken during the current year to provide safety to the elderly people and with what results; and

(c) what is the future plan in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE DM THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) There were 14 cases of murder of elderly persons reported during the current year (upto 30th November, 1999) in Delhi.

(b) and (c) The steps taken to provide safety to elderly people include, in inter alia, launching of a 'Special Protection Scheme' for senior citizens living alone in the capital; undertaking special verification of the servants employed by them and extending due assistance and developing close rapport by frequently interacting with them at individual and group level.

Funds for tackling extremist in Andhra Pradesh

2181. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has requested to sanction Rs. 1299.17 crores for tackling extremist activities in the State; and

(b) if so, the measures taken for early release of the amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) A Project Report, containing an Action Plan, has been prepared by the Government of Andhra Pradesh amounting to Rs. 1299.17 crores for undertaking action to strengthen and upgrade the law and order machinery, providing a responsive administration, intensification of developmental activities in the Tribal areas and communication campaign against extremists, over a period of three years. The Plan was sent to the Planning Commission on 3.12.1997 with the request to earmark separate funds for this purpose.